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HURRICANE STRIKES GULF COAST AREA FRIDAY

Observations... From Around Town

(BY JAY WHOZIT)

Yes, folks your observer has seen and heard practically nothing else this week but the results of the fierce Tropical Hurricane which struck this area last Friday, leaving in its wake death and destruction has never heard of before in this section. . . property damage estimated in the tens of millions of dollars, the known death toll up to this time is twelve, all from the area of Waveland, Lakeshore and Clermont Harbor, with no deaths reported in Bay St. Louis proper. . . Louisville and Nashville Railway service between New Orleans and Mobile will be out for approximately 60 to 90 days, possibly until January 1st. . . the water rose approximately fifteen feet in one hour with waves reaching a height of twenty feet at the peak of the storm and winds ranging in velocity from 90 to 120 miles an hour. . . quite a breeze. . . much of the beach road fronting the City of Bay St. Louis was destroyed or damaged beyond repair, water and gas mains of the city were broken and put out of service, telephone and power lines were downed by falling trees and service interrupted. . . and speaking of heroes and heroic deeds, we think that every man, woman and child in this vicinity could be called a hero in his own right, since we neither saw nor heard of anyone who did not seem ready and willing at all times to give assistance to his friends and neighbors. . . one mother was reported to have swam more than four blocks with her baby on her back, another tied herself and baby to a tree until they could be removed to safety, many were brought to the safety of higher ground in row boats, and of course, we could go on and on with tales of heroic deeds, but we can sum it all up in one sentence by saying that we think our people, as one great team, deserve a medal of honor for their courage and determination to survive when the going was tough. . . oddities were many: with fifteen and sixteen year-old boys doing guard duty along with National Guardsmen. . . the hurricane caused a prospective bride to be "stood up" for more than forty-eight hours because the bridegroom to be could not get from New Orleans here on Saturday morning, as originally planned, but he arrived on Monday and at four o'clock that afternoon they became Mr. and Mrs. Kearney Carr, and left immediately for their delayed honeymoon. . . the bride was formerly Miss Audrey Lee Biehl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert D. Biehl, Sr. . . M. W. Kirkpatrick and James N. Watson, of Hattiesburg, set up an amateur short-wave radio station at Hotel Reed supplying the only means of communication between persons here with friends and relatives in other cities. . . hats off to these two splendid young men. . . all schools in Hancock County have suspended classes until further notice. . . Stanislaus, it has been reported, may be forced to discontinue some of their classes for this session, because of heavy damage to their roofs. . . the football game originally scheduled for this Sunday will not be held. . . disease invariably follows in the wake of such disasters, to ward off this menace threatening our already hard-hit community every person is being given typhoid "shots" and everyone is asked not to drink any water before it has been boiled. . . relief stations to supply food and clothing to the needy have been set up in the County Court House and Bay High School, Hotel Reed served temporarily as a Red Cross station for those directing relief work and permanent Red Cross Headquarters are now located at the Episcopal Rectory. . . no one was allowed to leave or enter this area, except by special request and permission from authorities in charge. . . besides the tremendous property damage loss of cattle, hogs and other live stock was enormous. . . Governor Fielding Wright was a visitor here on Sunday, making a personal check of the damage and stated immediate state aid would be forthcoming. . . the State Highway Department estimated the road and bridge damage would run at least \$2,000,000, and would take many weeks to repair same. . . the pecan crop in the coast counties was practically destroyed after reading reports of the storm in one New Orleans newspaper, many friends and relatives from out-of-town drove here at once with food and clothing, such a gesture of

Red Cross to Give Relief to Families Affected By Storm

Applications Must Be Filed at Red Cross Office for Assistance—Red Cross Workers Headed by Chas. B. Cooper Of Atlanta, Director of Operations Assisting Hancock County Chapter—Assistance Will Be Outright Grant And Not A Loan

The citizens of Hancock County should be very grateful to Mr. Roger Boh, Chairman of the Hancock County Chapter of the Red Cross, and his disaster committee headed by Mr. Lamar Otis. During the storm when the entire population was attempting to save their homes and their families, the Red Cross was able to provide food, shelter and other emergency measures during the extreme emergency.

The Red Cross is likewise very grateful to all the people of the community who offered their services and aided so much in remedying the situation as effectively as was done in this county.

The emergency phase of the disaster operation, however, is just the beginning of what the American Red Cross can and will do for the people of Hancock County whose needs resulting from the storm are greater than their ability to overcome.

The extent of the relief given to families will be dependent upon their individual needs and will be determined by a complete case analysis done by experienced disaster relief workers who have been sent in to assist the Hancock County Chapter in this work. Director of the operations, which will continue in the county for approximately two months, is Chas. B. Cooper of Atlanta. Assisting Mr. Cooper are the following Red Cross disaster representatives: Miss Susie Edgerton, Miss Beatrice Fehr, John Newcomb and Henry Bennett. In addition to the above personnel, the Mississippi Department of Public Welfare has loaned the services of Miss Jessie Littleton of Jackson and Mrs. Vivian Carver of Poplarville to Red Cross for the duration of the disaster relief operations.

The disaster headquarters has been set up in the Episcopal Rectory at 231 Carroll Avenue, Bay St. Louis, from where the representatives will cover the entire county. In addition to the headquarters in Bay St. Louis, sub offices of the relief operation are being operated at the school in Waveland and Lakeshore and also Clermont Harbor, where applications for relief are being received for the residents of those districts. People desiring aid of the Red Cross are urged to make their wants known at any one of these various offices and make formal application for assistance. When these applications are received, each family will be visited by Red Cross representatives who will attempt to analyze their individual family needs in an attempt to render assistance. Mr. Roger Boh, Chapter Chairman, issued a statement last night, that those families who were able to rehabilitate themselves would certainly want to do so, but urged that all others who needed assistance could be assured that the Red Cross assistance was not to be considered as charity, but instead was an expression of neighborliness on the part of the American people who have made Red Cross possible. Assistance which is given by Red Cross is in the nature of an outright grant and is not a loan. Attempts will be made to provide household furnishings, clothing, food and repairs to

thoughtfulness is heart-warming, to say the least, and merits our everlasting gratitude. . . the Mississippi Power Company and Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company had crews of workmen from Louisiana, Alabama and Tennessee on the job here within twenty-four hours, that's what we call efficiency to the N degree. . . another serious aftermath of the storm was the presence in the city of hundreds of poisonous snakes and reptiles washed in here from the swamps and the marshes by the high tide. . . some business establishments in town were reported as taking advantage of the already bad situation by charging enormous prices for their supplies and services, such actions are deplorable and should be stopped. . . some few Bay St. Louis residents recall the storms of 1893, 1909, 1915 and other minor ones, but all admit that last week's hurricane was the "daddy" of them all, but one of the shortest in duration, lucky for us that it was

homes, and replacement of livestock, etc. He added, that all things done by the Red Cross would be entirely confidential. The people of the county should feel, said Mr. Boh, that no one who is deserving assistance will be overlooked. Inasmuch as the American Red Cross has been designated as the official relief agency by Governor Fielding Wright, Mr. Boh pointed out that anyone who wishes to make contributions for the relief of their less fortunate neighbors should make contributions to the Red Cross and know that it would be used most effectively. Mr. Boh further pointed out that the disaster relief operation as conducted by the disaster representatives assigned from out of town, would be assisted by an advisory committee made up of local people who will approve all awards that are to be made. In this manner, it was felt that the local needs can be more intelligently and effectively met.

Wherever possible, he continued all orders for relief materials will be issued to the individual family, who in turn will secure the merchandise from their own merchants. It is not a Red Cross policy, he said, for Red Cross to buy in bulk from outside sources.

L. & N. BEGINS REPAIRS—EDWARD WISE, JR., MAINTENANCE ENGR. IN BAY ST. LOUIS

The Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company have begun operations to restore the track and road bed and bridges that were destroyed by the storm.

Road bed from the South switch at Waveland into New Orleans has practically all been destroyed and the bridge across the Bay of St. Louis is nearly a total wreck. Mr. Edward Wise Jr., Engineer of Maintenance from Louisville Kentucky arrived here Saturday night and he will be in charge of the rehabilitation of the track from Bay St. Louis to New Orleans.

Roy Cagle, former Track Supervisor at Bay St. Louis, now at Montgomery, Ala., has been brought back to assist Mr. Wise.

Mr. Wise was asked as to when we could expect rail service, and his answer was that he could not make any prediction at this time, but the company was doing its utmost to have the repairs completed as early as possible.

—Among those making hurried trips to their homes here were Miss Regina Blaize from New Orleans who became frightened for her family when reports reached her. Leo Seal, Jr., came from Mississippi State College because of the locality of his parents. Miss Audrey Quintini, a nurse came from New Orleans when she read of the damage done to homes by the storm.

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

I, G. Y. Blaize, Mayor of the City of Bay St. Louis wish to take this means to express my deep appreciation to all persons who in any way rendered assistance in minimizing the hardships resulting from the catastrophe that struck Bay St. Louis on Friday, September 19, 1947.

It was only through the untiring efforts and the fine spirit of cooperation of these people that the City was able to restore to a great number of its people water and gas. These facilities were restored to normal operation in a great number of places within 12 hours after the hurricane had spent its fury on us. In times of disaster the normal facilities available to the City are not adequate to cope with the situation, and had it not been for the generous assistance of all the persons who helped us in this time of trouble, it would have been days instead of hours before these services would have been available.

Again please let me express my deep appreciation and thanks to any and all who helped and contributed in our hours of need.

G. Y. BLAIZE, Mayor

PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND ST. JOSEPH ACADEMY TO RESUME CLASSES MONDAY

St. Stanislaus To Make Necessary Repairs—May Reopen in Two Weeks

Since Friday morning all schools in the City of Bay St. Louis have been closed. The Bay High School building has been used as headquarters for the Mississippi National Guard and for canteen service for the American Red Cross.

The buildings at St. Stanislaus have suffered some damages and very slight damage was had at St. Joseph's Academy. Brother Peter, President of St. Stanislaus has issued the following statement today:

"The damage to the College roof flooded the dormitories and the classrooms. This makes the building untenable at present as the plaster is wet. There was no structural damage. It was necessary to send the boarders home and to discontinue classes."

Temporary repairs to the roof will start tomorrow and as soon as the buildings are protected from the weather classes will resume. There is nothing at all to the rumor that some classes will be dropped. It is too early yet to set a date, but we believe that within two weeks the school will be in full operation again.

The first two football games will necessarily be cancelled but we are definitely going ahead with the rest of the football schedule. Superintendent of City Schools, S. J. Ingram has stated that classes will be resumed on Monday morning, September 29th at all of the public schools in the City of Bay St. Louis.

We are advised by Mother Blanche Superior of St. Joseph's Academy that classes will be resumed on Monday morning, September 29th. The announcement as to the reopening of the St. Stanislaus Parochial School has not yet been made as it is necessary that some repairs be made to the roof of the building.

R. F. C. TO MAKE LOANS IN AREA TO PROPERTY OWNERS AFFECTED BY STORM

Mr. W. M. Fischer chief of the loan application division of the New Orleans office of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation was in Bay St. Louis on Wednesday preparatory to establishing an office in the Chamber of Commerce Office on Main Street for the purpose of accepting applications for loans in this area.

The local office will be in charge of Mr. J. M. Bass, Jr., examiner for the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, who is a resident of Bay St. Louis. Mr. Fischer, stated that the R. F. C. would be able to make loans to the victims of the hurricane for the rehabilitation of their property, and that beginning on Friday Mr. Bass would be at the Chamber of Commerce office, and that he would remain here until such time as a central office would be opened on the Coast.

The maximum terms of the loans will be to January 31st, 1955, with interest at the rate of 3%, with a waiver of the first four months interest. Mr. Fischer, stated that the R. F. C. would be able to make loans to the victims of the hurricane for the rehabilitation of their property, and that beginning on Friday Mr. Bass would be at the Chamber of Commerce office, and that he would remain here until such time as a central office would be opened on the Coast.

HANCOCK COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT OUTLINES SAFETY PROGRAM

The catastrophe following the hurricane not only did great property damage but tends to confuse the minds of the people in the locality where it occurred. The citizens of Bay Saint Louis, Waveland, Clermont Harbor and Lakeshore area have cooperated with the Health Department in every way. The response to every request was all that any Health Department could expect. The people realize fully the importance of preventing illness and maintaining a high standard of health. We are not only concerned with the pollution blown in from the outside in the form of dead animals of every description decaying and rotting and giving rise to a stench and fly breeding but must contend with destroyed surface toilets and overflowing cess-pools and septic tanks which have polluted the ground surface of the thickly populated areas.

The Sanitary Department has endeavored to look ahead and not place their major efforts in minor problems. Problems affecting the health of the people always follow days behind the catastrophe and we must take every precaution to prevent epidemics. We ask the continued loyal support of all our people to follow through in our program, which is as follows:

ITEM 1: TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY for the next three weeks will be devoted to immunization for Typhoid, for adults and all children over one year of age at the following places: BAY HIGH SCHOOL, WAVELAND SCHOOL, CLERMONT HARBOR SCHOOL, LAKESHORE SCHOOL, KILN SCHOOL. These immunization stations will be handled by well trained Public Health Nurses supplied by the Mississippi State Board of Health. With mass immunization of this character among large groups of people we expect some reactions which are manifested by reddening of the arm, rise in temperature which should not exceed 102 and will be of short duration, this may be accompanied by slight nausea. We advise immunization for Diphtheria and Whooping Cough in children from four months to four years of age. Tetanus antitoxin (to prevent lockjaw) will be administered for injuries or skin abrasions arising from any cause, this can be obtained at the Hospital, Saint Stanislaus College, The Health Department, or any Doctor's office. There will be no vaccination for smallpox.

ITEM 2: All the city water of Bay Saint Louis is being properly treated at the plant and may be used for drinking or cooking purposes as usual. In the Waveland-Clermont Harbor area all drinking water should be boiled. In the Lakeshore area the wells should be bailed out to remove brackish water after this these wells should be properly treated with chlorine; before this is done, all the water in this area should be boiled.

ITEM 3: All small animals around the home that were killed by the storm should be buried by the property owner. The sites where the outdoor toilet stood must be covered with dirt to prevent further soil pollution and fly breeding. The large animals that are dead will be buried by crewmen as soon as possible.

ITEM 4: The fogging machines are on the ground and operating under the direction of well trained Public Health Personnel, all streets will be fogged on both sides, we suggest that all doors and windows in the home be opened and the fog from these machines be permitted to drift in, you are assured that it will neither poison food nor harm furniture or clothing. We have planned to use airplanes to fog the outlying areas not accessible to machines on the ground.

C. M. SHIPP

POWER WILL BE CUT OFF TWICE DAILY FOR SHORT PERIOD

The Mississippi Power Company and the State Highway Dept. has issued a notice that the power into Bay St. Louis, Waveland and the surrounding territory will be cut off twice each day during the time that piling are being driven on the Bay St. Louis Highway Bridge.

This measure of safety is being taken for the workmen engaged in this operation during the time that they are driving piling on the north side of the bridge under the 23000 volt line. The power will be off for about a forty five minute period each time.

Twelve Known Dead--- Large Property Damage Reconstruction Underway

The Mississippi Gulf Coast was struck last Friday morning, September 19th, by the most disastrous hurricane in its history. Newspaper and radio reports coming in to this area telling of the disasters that sections of Florida encountered and giving the course of the hurricane at first lead us to believe that there was a possibility that it would not strike this area.

On Thursday, however the weather reports were that we were positively in its course. Even with these reports coming in it was hard to believe that a storm of such force was approaching. Thursday night in the business district on the beach front, merchants were busily engaged, boarding up show windows and doors. With all of these precautions being taken many were on the beach looking over the waters of Mississippi Sound and could see sandbars in front of the seawall. The tide at this time had not even taken its normal rise.

On Friday morning a strong Northeast wind had brought a small rise in the tide and at 7:30 A. M. the top step of the seawall in some sections of Bay St. Louis and Waveland had been covered by the water, and within an hour the tide had risen to such proportions that it has been variously estimated to have reached a height of twenty feet, destroying many homes and business establishments in Bay St. Louis, Waveland, Clermont Harbor and Lakeshore.

It has been reported that in some sections along our beach from Cedar Point in Bay St. Louis to Lakeshore that the water rose to a height of seven to eight feet in some homes. The estimated property damage in Hancock County will probably exceed ten million dollars.

Many homes throughout the County were damaged by the swollen waters of the rivers and bayous and many were damaged by fallen trees throughout the area back of the beaches.

The seawall withstood the gale and only a few spans were destroyed, which was caused principally by the timbers of the railroad bridge striking the wall. The roadway immediately adjoining the wall dropped down in a few sections but today one is able to drive from the North end of the seawall to the foot of the bridge on Highway 90 and from St. Charles Street to Clermont Harbor and as we stated before this roadway is damaged in spots but is in a passable condition.

The greatest damage to the beach road was sustained in the City of Bay St. Louis. From the foot of the bridge at Highway 90 to St. Charles Street practically all of this section of the road is washed out with the exception of a small area in the business district on the beach front.

The Highway bridge across the Bay of St. Louis had two sections washed away and we were informed by the State Highway Engineers that it will be only necessary to drive nine bents of piling to replace the missing sections. From casual observation it appears that over fifty percent of the super structure of the L. & N. railroad bridge over the Bay has been washed away of course it is impossible to estimate the amount of damage that has been done to the understructure of this bridge. The road bed of the L. & N. Railroad Company from the south switch at Waveland to Gentilly has been practically destroyed.

The greatest toll of lives ever taken in a hurricane in this section was tabulated on last Friday when twelve persons lost their lives. The dead whose bodies have been recovered were: Mrs. Mari Louise Spreen, Waveland; Mrs. Isabel Holman Hart, Waveland; Mrs. Isabel Foltz, Clermont Harbor; Mrs. W. P. Simmons, Waveland; Mr. Frank Spreen, Waveland; Mrs. Elece Shackelford, Waveland; Mrs. Stanley Nall, Clermont Harbor; Mr. John J. Bordages, Lakeshore; Mrs. Kate Crutcher, Lakeshore; Mrs. Lulu B. Mogabgab, Clermont Harbor; Laurence A. Webb, Clermont Harbor and Beatrice Webb, Clermont Harbor.

On Saturday morning the Red Cross went on organized duty and five canteens were set up throughout the area to give food and shelter where necessary. The Kings Daughters Hospital took care of those whose condition warranted hospitalization.

Governor Fielding L. Wright came to the coast as soon as conditions permitted travel to this section and immediately ordered National Guard troops under the command of Adjutant General Pat Wilson into the area for guard duty for the protection of persons and property.

The water and gas supply and

the electrical and telephone service were cut off in this area and crews were immediately put to work on Saturday by the Mayor and Commission Council of the City of Bay St. Louis so the water and gas lines could be put back in service. On Sunday this service had been reestablished in nearly every home in Bay St. Louis.

On Sunday evening electrical service had been established in some critical areas. The Mississippi Power Company had enlisted the aid of linemen of the Alabama Power Company, who were joined with their own men in clearing the way for the reestablishment of the high powered lines over the bridge and into the City. At this time power service is on in nearly every home in Bay St. Louis and a good portion of Waveland.

Linemen of the Southern Bell Telephone Company, some of whom have come from as far away as Kentucky have nearly reestablished all telephone service in Bay St. Louis.

Workmen under the direction of Dr. C. M. Shipp and Wayne Allison, of the Hancock Health Unit, have cleared the beach of the carcasses of the dead animals which have been burned and with the assistance of the State Board of Health are spraying DDT throughout the stricken area. Crews of workmen are removing the debris and in a few days the streets in Bay St. Louis, and Waveland will be entirely cleared.

Services At Our Lady of The Gulf Church Remain On Present Schedule

The Church of Our Lady of the Gulf, which has been undergoing repairs and improvements for the past few weeks received very slight damage from the hurricane.

The roadway in front of the church has been completely washed away and only the sidewalk remains. Right Reverend Monsignor Andrew J. Gmelch has announced that services will remain on the present schedules and that the roadway from the rear of the church on Second Street has been opened and that parking space can be had in the church yard and on Union St.

The Centennial celebration which was to have taken place on Oct. 14th has been postponed and will be held sometime in the month of May 1948.

The convention of the National Council of Catholic Women which was to be held in Bay St. Louis, on Oct. 12th, will be held in some other city in the state, due to the disaster that struck Bay St. Louis.

Hospital Notes

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Green, of Lakeshore, a daughter, Friday, September 19; Mr. and Mrs. Millard Garver, Bay St. Louis, a son on Tuesday, September 16; Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Lafontaine, Bay St. Louis, a son, Thursday, Sept. 18; Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Wheat, country, a daughter, Thursday, September 18; Mrs. A. Ellington, Bay St. Louis, a son September 20; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Darnon, a son, Monday, September 22; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Saucier, Bay St. Louis, a daughter on Monday, September 22; Mr. and Mrs. John Mikouid, Kiln, a daughter, Friday, September 19.

MEDICAL PATIENTS

John H. Ladner, Pascagoula; Cynthia Anna Carver, Waveland; John Perkins, Clermont Harbor, discharged; Paul Gorham, New Orleans; John Rutherford, discharged; Sandra Woodcock, 8 months old; Doc Metcalf, Ohio, discharged; Joseph Bourgeois, Waveland, discharged; Mrs. Alice Zero, Clermont Harbor.

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REAL CHARITY

With all its might the hurricane of last Friday struck our Coast Line taking a toll of 12 lives in Waveland, Clermont Harbor and Lakeshore, and destroying much property in these localities and in Bay St. Louis.

Even though much advance notice had been given of the intensity of the approaching storm, little did we ever dream that the swollen waters of the Gulf of Mexico would be driven down upon us in such a short time, by a wind estimated at above 100 miles per hour. Many people were trapped, unable to leave their homes that had become inundated, there to remain, hoping and praying that a merciful God would hear their prayers, and save them from the onrushing waters.

Courageous men and women went to the aid of those who could be reached and many acts and deeds of heroism could be recorded and many that were performed will forever remain unknown. May it be said to the credit of our people that they rose to great heights when the occasion demanded it. They did not flinch in the face of death. The sole thought of those whose homes the water had not reached was the welfare of their friends and neighbors who were in distress.

A weary and storm worn populace, seemingly awakened from a bad dream, organized searching parties to trample the ruins and debris to find the bodies of those who had lost their lives. By evening of Saturday the last body had been recovered, and then began the organization of groups to clear the debris and to remove the carcasses of the dead animals, which work is progressing satisfactorily.

As we look about us we see men and women who have spent sleepless nights and days, wearily striving to carry on. Refusing to give up until they have satisfied themselves that their fellowmen are in no further need of their assistance. The Boy Scouts busily engaged under the leadership of their scoutmasters, moving to and fro, with messages from one group to another. Young girls aiding in the Red Cross Kitchens, helping to supply food for those driven from their homes. Everybody thoughtful of the welfare of those who were stricken. A true exemplification of real Charity.

PUBLISH THE TRUTH

It has always been our thought that newspapers should at least publish articles that have some semblance of truth. That metropolitan dailies that have national reputations would not dare to print stories offered them, without first verifying the truthfulness of the statements set forth in their news items. We have changed our minds about this and now we are convinced that the big newspapers are simply seeking something that will make big headlines.

Many news items of the storm, that were purported to have emanated from this area, and which were carried in the New Orleans dailies were so fantastic that they appeared to be the writings of contorted minds and not of reporters who were supposed to know the facts.

To those of us here at home who knew the facts of course these items appeared ridiculous, but to our relatives and friends away it caused great alarm and anxiety.

The most amusing report to us, appeared on Tuesday morning. Four days after the storm, when Bay St. Louis had been visited by many reporters, that the Echo Building had collapsed and that the telephone exchange housed in the second story had been deposited in our plant.

We have little experience in the newspaper field, however we think that the purpose of a newspaper is to disseminate news that is truthful and not to print such false and fantastic tales, that brought unnecessary worry and mental anguish to an already distressed people. Stories of this type will only breed a lack of confidence in your future statements.

THANKS

On behalf of the people of Hancock County we wish to extend sincere thanks to the many people from other sections who so valiantly came to our assistance following the disastrous hurricane of last Friday.

To Governor Fielding L. Wright who came to the Coast immediately, to Mr. M. W. Kirkpatrick and Jim Watson of Hattiesburg who set up short wave radio service at Hotel Reed, to the Officers and enlisted men of the Mississippi National Guard, to the Representatives of the American Red Cross who are here, and to the linemen of the Power Companies and the Telephone Company from other areas, and to the many others who were so thoughtful of our welfare we owe an everlasting debt of gratitude.

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Southern Bell Busy Restoring Telephone Service In Storm Area

Jackson, Miss., Sept. 23—With hundreds of men and vast quantities of materials concentrated on the job, restoration of telephone service to the hurricane-battered areas of the Mississippi Gulf Coast is being rushed with all possible speed, T. E. Harris, Mississippi Manager of the Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company, said here Tuesday.

"Despite severe and widespread damage to both local and long distance facilities caused by water, falling trees and flying debris all along a wide coastal area, service to the affected points is being placed above everything else until all troubles are cleared. Our objective is to restore service in record time," Mr. Harris declared.

Preliminary estimates indicate that the cost of the damage done by the hurricane to telephone facilities will run well into six figures. This damage not only includes large losses in local facilities, but also heavy destruction of long distance plant along the routes connecting the Mississippi Gulf Coast and New Orleans with the East. A large part of the area adjacent to these routes is still inundated and

CHANCERY SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
To Edgar B. Moran Sr.

You are summoned to appear before the Chancery Court of the County of Hancock, in said State on the First Monday of November, A. D. 1947, to defend the suit No. 5357 in said Court of Geraldine Green Moran, wherein you are a Defendant.

This 15th day of September, A. D. 1947.
(SEAL) A. G. FAVRE, Clerk.

CHANCERY SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
To Eleanor Johnson

You are summoned to appear before the Chancery Court of the County of Hancock in said State, on the First Monday of November, A. D. 1947, to defend the suit No. 5351 in said Court of Angeline Brooks, wherein you are a Defendant.

This 11th day of September A. D. 1947.
(SEAL) A. G. FAVRE, Clerk.

CHANCERY SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
To Joseph Nester Bourgeois

You are summoned to appear before the Chancery Court of the County of Hancock, in said State, on the First Monday of November, A. D. 1947, to defend the suit No. 5356 in said Court of Georgina Carver Bourgeois, wherein you are a Defendant.

This 15th day of September, A. D. 1947.
(SEAL) A. G. FAVRE, Clerk.

CHANCERY SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
To: "The Heirs at Law of Frank L. Gelbke, Deceased."

You are summoned to appear before the Chancery Court of the County of Hancock in said State on the First Monday of November, 1947, to answer the Suit No. 5352 in said court of Mrs. Angeline Picone Gelbke Lusher; wherein you are defendants, being a suit by the said Mrs. Angeline Picone Gelbke Lusher to have herself recognized and decreed to be the sole and only surviving heir at law of Frank L. Gelbke, Deceased, and as such placed in possession of his estate.

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the full extent of the damage has not yet been determined. 17,500 telephones in the Mississippi Gulf Coast area were put out of service, and of these about 70% have already been placed back in operation. Mr. Harris said the total restoration of all facilities would require about 217,000 linear feet of cable, 250 poles and about 250 miles of wire. He disclosed that the full output of the telephone company's manufacturing and supply unit, working around the clock, was consigned to fill Southern Bell's needs in the damaged areas and was being rushed to the scene by fastest available means, in many cases by cargo plane.

"This is one of the factors responsible for the speed with which we have been able to tackle this emergency," Mr. Harris stated. "The combined resources of the Bell System are at our disposal, and the fact that Bell telephone men everywhere use standard tools and standard procedures has enabled men brought in from other points to get started on the restoration job without loss of time learning the equipment and practices. This is a vital factor in our ability to cope with the present emergency."

Mr. Harris said a total of 538 telephone men engaged in restoring service in this general area. "Some are from as far away as Kentucky and they brought their tools and supplies with them, including motor vehicles."

One of the other major factors responsible for the speed, with which Southern Bell was able to tackle the tremendous reconstruction job were the steps which were taken in advance to meet the emergency.

As soon as it appeared that the hurricane might strike the Mississippi Gulf Coast and the New Orleans area, the Company started moving large numbers of men and vast quantities of materials into the danger zone. Emergency electric power generators constantly held in readiness for just such use, insured an adequate power supply to maintain the service. Radiotelephone equipment was rushed to the area and after the storm struck, was used to establish emergency long distance contact over important routes until service could be restored.

Materials and supplies have been expedited by Western Electric Company, manufacturers for the Bell System, from its warehouses in Atlanta, Ga., Nashville, Tenn., Louisville, Ky., and from factories in Chicago, Ill., Point Breeze, Md., and Kearney, N. J.

To insure that service would be restored with as little delay as possible, personnel was sent out, as soon as the storm had abated, by low flying plane and by boat to survey the destruction and make an estimate of the material to be required to re-establish service. This information enabled the hundreds of men available to start on the job of reconstruction at once.

It was reported that a number of telephone people interrupted their vacations when they heard of the

storm damage to report for duty. When the wind blew out windows in the Pass Christian office of the Company, telephone men hastily dismantled a nearby telephone booth and placed the sides of the booth against the windows to protect the equipment in the room against damage from the rain.

"The job we face is tremendous, and despite our best efforts, necessarily will require time," Mr. Harris declared. "Aside from the magnitude of the job, itself, the men on the job are working under great obstacles, such as blocked roads, scattered debris and high water. Much of the damage to local facilities was in the distribution system—the drop wires and small cables which serve the customer premises directly, and this type of repair takes the longest time because each break must be cleared individually."

ANNOUNCEMENT

Announcing today that initial emergency service had been established to all basic health, sanitation, and relief centers within 48 hours of the disastrous hurricane, Mississippi Power Company makes the following statement with regard to continuing extension of service restoration:

As the job of restoring service over more than 1,000 square miles goes on, we hope for your understanding cooperation on these points if, in some circumstances, your neighbor has service and you do not.

1. The first need in establishing service was to supply water works, hospitals, institutions, canteens, relief centers, food depots, etc., which would prevent disease spread and aid sanitation measures. In doing this emergency work in central areas, it was necessary to repair required circuits to prevent accidents and many homes have received service in these areas as the essential needs were being met.
2. As emergency service was rendered, many points were reached on branch Circuits where line damage made it necessary to cut those circuits in the clear, even though there were important needs just across the breaks. There have been literally hundreds of such circumstances and repair of these branch circuits delayed to meet the major necessities of establishing basic health, sanitation, food supply, and relief service.
3. With the restoration of basic service in the center of each Community, work will go forward at once in working outward from these centers, since repair must be made beginning with the source end of the circuit and each circuit must be worked separately. Thus, it could occur that in some instances your next door neighbor might have service restored for a matter of from hours to perhaps several days before your service could be completed, simply depending upon the circuit layout and the nature of storm damage. We ask your understanding patience in this respect.
4. We are keenly alive to the extreme inconvenience and, in many cases, heavy loss which the storm has brought, and no effort is being spared to restore every individual electric service at the earliest possible moment.

Please do not attempt to clear the company's lines serving your premises, however, and treat every conductor as though it might be energized. The work of energizing circuits which have been damaged or demolished by storm requires every pre caution to avoid accident. Please do not disturb electric lines until the repair crews arrive.

It will not be possible for several days to have a definite idea as to when service can be established to any particular area and we make this general statement to keep you as fully informed as possible.

Our regular offices in each community are open today as usual and will be glad to give any information possible as to emergency situations.

MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY

Hancock Chapter Red Cross Doing Splendid Work

The citizens of Hancock County should be very grateful to Mr. Roger Boh, Chairman of the Hancock County Chapter of the Red Cross, and his disaster committee headed by Mr. Lamar Otis. During the storm when the entire population was attempting to save their homes and their families, the Red Cross was able to provide food, shelter and other emergency measures during the extreme emergency.

The Red Cross is likewise very grateful to all the people of the community who offered their services and aided so much in remedying the situation as effectively as was done in this county.

The emergency phase of the disaster operation, however, is just the beginning of what the American Red Cross can and will do for the people of Hancock County whose needs resulting from the storm are greater than their ability to overcome.

The extent of the relief given to families will be dependent upon their individual needs and will be determined by a complete case analysis done by experienced disaster relief workers who have been sent in to assist the Hancock County Chapter in this work. Director of the operations, which will continue in the county for approximately two months, is Chas. B. Cooper of Atlanta. Assisting Mr. Cooper are the following Red Cross disaster representatives: Miss Susie Edgerton, Miss Beatrice Fehr, John Newcomb and Henry Bennett. In addition to the above personnel, the Mississippi Department of Public Welfare has loaned the services of Miss Jessie Littleton of Jackson and Mrs. Vivian Carver of Poplarville to Red Cross for the duration of the disaster relief operations.

The disaster headquarters has been set up in the Episcopal Rectory at 231 Carroll Avenue, Bay St. Louis, from where the representatives will cover the entire county.

In addition to the headquarters in Bay St. Louis, sub offices of the relief operation are being operated at the school in Waveland and Lakeshore and also Clermont Harbor, where applications for relief are being received for the residents of those districts.

People desiring aid of the Red Cross are urged to make their wants known at any one of these various offices and make formal application for assistance. When these applications are received, each family will be visited by Red Cross representatives who will attempt to analyze their individual family needs in an attempt to render assistance. Mr. Roger Boh, Chapter Chairman, issued a statement last night, that these families who were able to rehabilitate themselves, would certainly want to do so, but urged that all others who needed assistance could be assured that the Red Cross assistance was not to be considered as charity, but instead was an expression of neighborliness on the part of the American people who have made Red Cross possible. Assistance which is given by Red Cross is in the nature of an outright grant and is not a loan. Attempts will be made to provide household furnishings, clothing, food and repairs to homes, and replacement of livestock, etc. He added, that all things done by the Red Cross would be entirely confidential. The people of the county should feel, said Mr. Boh, that no one who is deserving assistance will be overlooked. Inasmuch as the American Red Cross has been designated as the official relief agency by Governor Fielding Wright, Mr. Boh pointed out that anyone who wishes to make contributions for the relief of their less fortunate neighbors should make contributions to the Red Cross and know that it would be used most effectively.

Mr. Boh further pointed out that the disaster relief operation as conducted by the disaster representatives assigned from out of town, would be assisted by an advisory committee made up of local people who will approve all awards that are to be made. In this manner, it was felt that the local needs could be more intelligently and effectively met.

Wherever possible, he continued, all orders for relief materials will be issued to the individual family, who in turn will secure the merchandise from their own merchants. It is not a Red Cross policy, he said, for Red Cross to buy in bulk from outside sources.

Will repair all makes of SEWING MACHINES. Call and leave your address at Maurfay Dry Goods Store.

CHANCERY SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
To Mrs. Ione Cupero.

You are summoned to appear before the Chancery Court of the County of Hancock, in said State, on the First Monday of November A. D. 1947, to defend the suit No. 5348 in said Court of Dr. Charles H. Cupero, wherein you are a Defendant.

This 4th day of September, A. D. 1947.
(SEAL) A. G. FAVRE, Clerk.

CHANCERY SUMMONS

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
To Emily M. Leveque.

You are summoned to appear before the Chancery Court of the County of Hancock, in said State, on the First Monday of November, A. D. 1947, to defend the suit No. 5327 in said Court of Mrs. Josephine Almerio Leveque, wherein you are a Defendant.

This 16th day of September A. D. 1947.
(SEAL) A. G. FAVRE, Clerk.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE BONDS

Whereas, the City of Bay St. Louis is a municipality of less than 15,000 inhabitants; and

Whereas, said City intends to issue FIFTEEN THOUSAND (\$15,000.00) DOLLARS of Bonds, or so much thereof as may be necessary and legal;

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the Board's intention to issue said bonds on or after the 20th day of October, 1947; and if twenty percent (20%) of the qualified electors of the municipality shall file no written protest against the issuance of said bonds on or before said date, then the said Board shall issue the said bonds without an election. The purpose of said issuance of bonds being for the purpose of issuing bonds in the amount of FIFTEEN THOUSAND (\$15,000.00) DOLLARS or so much thereof as may be necessary and legal, with interest at the rate of not more than six percentum (6%) per annum, for the purpose of supplementing funds now on hand for the construction and equipping of a public school building for the colored school children of the City of Bay St. Louis.

Dated this 16th day of September, A. D. 1947.

BOARD OF MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS, CITY OF BAY ST. LOUIS, MISS.

By: H. GRADY PERKINS, City Secretary.

(Signed)

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The Facts about OIL and GAS



The oil and gas industry in Mississippi is only 8 years old. However, oil is now flowing from almost 1000 wells located in 20 producing fields in 12 counties. Two oil refineries are in operation. Great reservoirs of natural gas have been discovered and added to the South's fuel reserves. This development has been no accident. Tireless work and risk capital by many men and companies, with faith in Mississippi, searched out and made productive our long hidden gas and oil resources.

In 1944 these men gathered in

Jackson and formed this Division of the Mid-Continent Oil & Gas Association and dedicated it to the advancement of this industry in Mississippi and to the sound conservation of the State's oil and gas resources. They have made this industry a progressive force that is contributing substantially to the economic development of the entire state.

As a citizen, you have a vital interest in this industry because what helps the sound development of our oil and gas resources helps Mississippi and all Mississippians.

This is one of a series of informative messages published in the public interest. Your comments or questions are welcomed.

MISSISSIPPI-ALABAMA DIVISION

MID-CONTINENT OIL & GAS ASSOCIATION

E. D. KENNA, Executive Vice-President

EDWARDS HOTEL BUILDING — JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Commission Council of the City of Bay Saint Louis will receive separate sealed bids for the furnishing to the said City of "ONE-HALF (1/2) and/or Three-Quarter (3/4) ton New Truck."

The City of Bay Saint Louis has to offer in trade—A One-half (1/2) Ton 1937 Chevrolet Truck which is to be included in said bid.

All bids must be filed with the Clerk of the Commission Council of the City of Bay Saint Louis on or before the 6th day of OCTOBER, 1947, at ten o'clock A. M.

The Commission Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids, waive all formalities and award contract to the best interest of said City.

By Order of the Commission Council of the City of Bay Saint Louis on the 2nd day of September, A. D. 1947.

H. GRADY PERKINS
City Clerk, City of Bay Saint Louis.

NOTICE

The Commission Council of the City of Bay Saint Louis requests sealed bids for the said City for the following pipe to-wit:

5000 feet—2 inch galvanized pipe,
1500 feet—3 inch galvanized pipe,
1000 feet—4 inch galvanized pipe.

All bids must be filed with the City Clerk of the said City on or before the 6th day of OCTOBER, 1947, at ten o'clock A. M.

The Commission Council reserves the right to reject any and all bids, waive all formalities and award contract to the best interest of said City.

By Order of the Commission Council, this 2nd day of September, A. D. 1947.

H. GRADY PERKINS
City Clerk, City of Bay Saint Louis.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Letters of Administration on the Estate of Mrs. Alma Louise Woodward Logan, deceased were granted to the undersigned by the Chancery Court of Hancock County, Mississippi, on the 3rd day of September, A. D. 1947, and therefore notice is hereby given requiring all persons having claims against said estate to have same probated and registered by the Clerk of said Court within six months from this date, and failure to so probate and register same in six months will bar the claim.

This the 3rd day of September, A. D. 1947.

WOODWARD BAINBRIDGE LOGAN,
Administrator of the Estate of Mrs. Alma Louise Woodward Logan, Deceased.

DELINQUENT REALTY TAX ROLL TOWN OF WAVELAND, MISSISSIPPI

Notice is hereby given that I will on Monday, Oct. 13, 1947, offer for sale at the front door of the Town Hall, in the town of Waveland, Mississippi, within legal hours, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, the following described land, delinquent for taxes due thereon, for the year 1946, or so much thereof as will be necessary to satisfy and settle said taxes and all costs, to-wit:

Name	Division of Section or Lot Numbers	P.	T.	Valuation	School Tax	Municipal Tax	Total Tax	2% Damages	Marshal's Fee	Printer's Fee	4% Interest	Total Bill
Eugene A. Schwartz, et al.	Lots 21 & 22 Block 6,	3	3	300	2.10	5.40	7.50	.15	.50	1.20	.30	9.65
E. W. Ulman Sub., Ward 1												
Eugene A. Schwartz, et al.	Lots 28 & 29, Block 6	3	6	70	.49	1.26	1.75	.04	.50	1.20	.08	3.57
E. W. Ulman Sub., Ward 1												
Alphonse Goldsmith, et al.	Lots 1 & 2 Block 1,	4	15	600	4.20	10.80	15.00	.30	.50	1.20	.60	17.60
E. W. Ulman Sub., Ward 2												
Harold H. Gaunt, et al.	Block 6, Hillcrest Sub., Ward 2	6	4	150	1.05	2.70	3.75	.08	.25	.60	.16	4.84
Alma W. Logan, et al.	Block 9, Blk. 6, Waveland Ter. Ward 2	8	10	200	1.40	3.60	5.00	.10	.25	.60	.20	6.15
King Fred Nungesser, et al.	Block 12 Blk. 7, Waveland Terrace Sub., Ward 2	8	21	275	1.93	4.95	6.88	.14	.25	.60	.28	8.15
Douglas L. Black, et al.	Block 13, Blk. 7, Waveland Terrace Sub., Ward 2	8	22	150	1.05	2.70	3.75	.08	.25	.60	.16	4.84
Mary C. Harrison, et al.	Lots 1, 2, 3, Mrs. Jessie P. Coleman, Sub. of lots 45-47, Ward 2	9	25	550	3.85	9.90	13.75	.28	.25	.60	.56	15.44
Alma St. Louis, et al.	Pt. Lot 69 (G-3-251) Ward 2	10	16	100	.70	1.80	2.50	.05	.25	.60	.10	3.50
Geo. T. Herlihy, et al.	Lots 29-30-37 Tanneret's Sub. Wd. 2	11	23	225	1.58	4.05	5.63	.12	.75	1.80	.34	8.54
Robert J. Fee, et al.	Block 52, Tanneret's Sub. Ward 2	12	5	75	.53	1.35	1.88	.04	.25	.60	.08	2.85
Mrs. R. Sievers, et al.	Block 56, Ward 2	12	7	20	.14	.35	.50	.01	.25	.60	.02	1.38
Mrs. Mary A. Maxwell, et al.	Block 11, Mary A. Maxwell Sub. of Pt. Lot 89, Ward 2	13	33	200	1.40	3.60	5.00	.10	.25	.60	.20	6.15
Mrs. Mary A. Maxwell, et al.	Block 12, Mary A. Maxwell Sub. of Pt. Lot 89, Ward 2	13	34	200	1.40	3.60	5.00	.10	.25	.60	.20	6.15
Mrs. Mary A. Maxwell, et al.	Block 35, Mary A. Maxwell Sub. of Pt. Lot 89, Ward 2	13	18	125	.88	2.25	3.13	.07	.25	.60	.14	4.19
T. F. Mathis, et al.	Block 93, ex. Pts. sold, Ward 2	14	26	200	1.40	3.60	5.00	.10	.25	.60	.20	6.15
Mrs. W. J. Rouse, et al.	Block 96 ex. Pts. sold, Ward 2	14	31	630	4.41	11.34	15.75	.32	.25	.60	.64	17.56
John Barrett, et al.	Lots 1 & 2 Block 4, Starting place Sub. of Lot 105, Ward 2	15	12	60	.42	1.08	1.50	.03	.50	1.20	.06	3.29
Mrs. Elizabeth Little, et al.	Lots 1 to 6 inc., Block 4, Combel's Sub. of Pt. Lot 105, Ward 2	15	29	150	1.05	2.70	3.75	.08	1.50	1.80	.16	7.29
Euriqueta L. Merca, et al.	Lots 14 to 19 inc. Blk. 4, Combel's Sub. of Pt. Lot 105, Ward 2	15	33	150	1.05	2.70	3.75	.08	1.50	1.80	.16	7.29
Mrs. Elizabeth Little, et al.	Lots 10 to 19 inc. Blk. 4, Combel's Sub. of Pt. Lot 105, Ward 2	16	1	250	1.85	4.50	6.25	.13	2.50	3.00	.26	12.14
L. Reese Spangenberg, et al.	Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, Blk. 6, Combel's Sub. of Pt. Lot 105, Ward 2	15	5	100	.70	1.80	2.50	.05	1.00	2.40	.10	6.05
Dr. Evelyn B. Nix, et al.	Lots 6 & 8 lying S. W. of Lots 5 & 7, Ward 3	17	9	200	1.40	3.60	5.00	.10	.50	1.20	.20	7.00
Ethel H. Gex, et al.	Lots 8 & 10-42 x 175 ft., Ward 3	17	17	250	1.75	4.50	6.25	.13	.50	1.20	.26	8.34
Dr. Evelyn B. Nix, et al.	Lots 10, 12, 14, lying S. W. of Lots 9, 11, 13, Ward 3	17	21	300	2.10	5.40	7.50	.15	.75	1.80	.20	10.50
Jacob Richman, et al.	Lots 3 & 4 Farrar's Sub. of Lots 40, 41, 42, Ward 3	18	4	260	1.82	4.68	6.50	.13	.50	1.20	.26	8.59
William F. Wright, et al.	Lots 5 & 6 Farrar's Sub. of Lots 40, 41, 42, Ward 3	18	5	760	5.32	13.69	19.00	.38	.50	1.20	.76	21.84
WAVELAND PARK SUB., WARD 3												
Dr. Prescott E. Smith, et al.	Lots 18, 19, 32, 33, Block 6	20	26	450	3.15	8.10	11.25	.23	1.00	2.40	.46	15.31
Dr. Prescott E. Smith, et al.	Lots 20 & 31, Block 6	20	27	225	1.58	4.05	5.63	.12	.50	1.20	.24	7.69
Sallic C. Mavor, et al.	Block 10	22	3	75	.53	1.35	1.88	.04	.25	.60	.08	2.85
Christian C. Schaeffer, et al.	Block 12	22	19	250	1.75	4.50	6.25	.13	.25	.60	.26	7.49
Mrs. K. H. Bonner Anderson, et al.	Block 13	23	19	300	2.10	5.40	7.50	.15	.25	.60	.30	8.80
Edgar D. Caserta, et al.	Block 13	23	20	450	3.15	8.10	11.25	.23	.25	.60	.46	12.79
Elton T. Mackie, et al.	Block 16, Lot 17, Blk. 2, Waveland Beach Estate, Ward 3	24	9	200	1.40	3.60	5.00	.10	.50	1.20	.20	7.00
James C. Wither, et al.	Block 15, E 35 ft. Lot 16, Blk. 2, Waveland Beach Estate, Ward 3	24	10	200	1.40	3.60	5.00	.10	.50	1.20	.20	7.00
Alvin E. Seichnaydre, et al.	Block 200 ft. of N. (G8-157) Ward 3	25	7	300	2.10	5.40	7.50	.15	.25	.60	.30	8.80
Alvin E. Seichnaydre, et al.	Block 200 ft. S. of N. (G8-157) Ward 3	25	8	1350	9.45	24.30	33.75	.68	.25	1.60	1.37	36.65
Dr. W. P. Henderson, et al.	Lots 1 & 2, Roberts Sub. Ward 3	33	7	980	6.88	17.64	24.50	.49	.50	1.20	.98	27.67
Francis W. Fonte, et al.	Block 7 W 1/2 H-177	33	11	150	1.05	2.70	3.75	.08	.25	.60	.16	4.84
Roberts Sub., Ward 3		33	16	165	1.20	3.00	4.20	.08	.25	.60	.12	4.00
Theresa Bourgeois, et al.	Block 102, E. 100 ft. Roberts Sub. Wd. 3	33	23	115	.81	2.07	2.88	.06	.50	1.20	.12	4.72
Alma Bourgeois Joins, et al.	Block 209, Ward 3	34	6	130	.91	2.34	3.25	.07	.50	1.20	.14	5.16
Clarence Smith, et al.	Block 1 & 2 Blk. 1 Anchorage Sub. Wd. 3	34	9	525	3.68	9.45	13.13	.27	.25	.60	.54	14.79
Noel Barnes, et al.	Pt. Lot - Blk. 2, Anchorage Sub. Wd. 3	34	36	150	1.05	2.70	3.75	.08	.75	1.80	.18	6.54
G. C. Dallmann, et al.	Lots 32, 33, 34, Blk. 7 (G6-245) Anchorage Sub., Ward 3	34	36	150	1.05	2.70	3.75	.08	.75	1.80	.18	6.54
Hoffman J. Guidry, et al.	Block 11 & 12, (G-0-180) Blk. 8, Anchorage Sub., Ward 3	35	5	50	.35	.90	1.25	.03	.50	1.20	.06	3.04
M. Stevens, et al.	Block 24, Blk. 9 Anchorage Sub., Ward 3	35	8	100	.70	1.80	2.50	.05	.25	.60	.10	3.50
L. M. Herlihy, et al.	Block 30 & 31, Blk. 10, Anchorage Sub., Ward 3	35	21	50	.35	.90	1.25	.03	.50	1.20	.06	3.04
E. P. Chapman, et al.	Block 10, Gulfside Sub. Ward 3	36	35	20	.14	.36	.50	.01	.25	.60	.02	1.38
C. W. Harrison, et al.	Block 10, Blk. 10, Gulfside Sub., Ward 3	36	36	20	.14	.36	.50	.01	.25	.60	.02	1.38
Gerard W. Tucker, et al.	Lots 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, Blk. 1, Tipping Sub., Ward 3	37	20	365	2.56	6.57	9.13	.10	1.50	3.60	.38	14.80
Josephine Miller, et al.	Block 28 to 32 inc., Blk. 3, Tipping Sub., Ward 3	38	17	250	1.75	4.50	6.25	.13	1.25	3.00	.26	10.89
Robert G. Hubbard, Jr., et al.	Lots 3 to 9 inc., Blk. 4, Tipping Sub., Ward 3	38	19	210	1.47	3.78	5.25	.11	1.75	4.20	.22	11.53
Mrs. T. Ory Bourgeois, et al.	Lots 14 & 15, Blk. 1, Tipping Sub., Ward 3	38	31	250	1.75	4.50	6.25	.13	1.25	3.00	.26	10.89
Theresa Bourgeois, et al.	Block 1, A. Bakers Sub. Ward 3	39	23	75	.53	1.35	1.88	.04	.25	.60	.08	2.85
L. A. Bakers, et al.	Block 1, A. Bakers Sub., Ward 3	39	31	100	.70	1.80	2.50	.05	.50	1.20	.10	4.35
L. A. Bakers, et al.	Block 1, A. Bakers Sub., Ward 3	39	31	100	.70	1.80	2.50	.05	.50	1.20	.10	4.35
L. A. Bakers, et al.	Block 1, A. Bakers Sub., Ward 3	39	34	800	5.60	14.40	20.00	.40	.25	.60	.80	22.05
Hazel Herlihy, et al.	Block 1, S. W. Corner, Blk. 8, Miss. Land & Ab. Co., Sub. Ward 4	40	1	30	.21	.54	.75	.02	.25	.60	.04	1.66
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City Echoes

—Mrs. Clay Summers of Abbeville, La., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cooper at Hotel Reed.

—Jacqueline Whitney, freshman at Pearl River Junior College was elected cheer leader for 1947-48.

—Mrs. Claude Monti and Mrs. Van Whitfield returned Wednesday from Hot Springs, Ark., where they spent a month.

—Mr. and Mrs. Howard LeTissier have with them for a visit Mr. LeTissier's sister Mrs. Bertha Breeding of Elkhart, Illinois.

—Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Higgins and children left Wednesday for Shreveport after a two weeks visit to Mrs. Higgins parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Capdepon.

—Rev. and Mrs. Roy Clyde Clark announce the birth of a daughter on Friday September 19 at Wesson. Mr. Clark is pastor of the Wesson Methodist church.

—David Middleton and Lester Holloway, who are both with the L. & N. R. R., were cut off from communication with their families here for several days by the storm but have arrived home.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Fayard, nee Dorothy Mae Parker, announce the birth of a six pound, five ounce, daughter at the Gulfport Memorial Hospital on August 31st at 8:12 A. M. The little lady's name is Lynda Ann.

—Mrs. Caroling Dale Sneedeker has received information from her publishers that her latest book "Luk's Quest" is off the press and that she will receive six advance copies shortly. This is Mrs. Sneedeker's twelfth book.

—The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Winslow was baptized at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic church on Sunday, September 21, Monsignor A. J. Gmelch administering the baptismal rites. Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Higgins were the sponsors. The baby was given the name of Dianne Linda.

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MISSISSIPPI POWER CO. ISSUES SERVICE RESTORATION MEMORANDUM

Mr. L. P. Sweatt, President of the Mississippi Power Company has issued a memorandum to their service restoration personnel in which much information to the general public is contained. In this memorandum is also incorporated the general statement which is published elsewhere in this issue. We feel that the other parts of the memorandum should be given to the public and we are quoting the balance in full.

In addition to the necessity for getting the physical distribution system back in operation as soon as possible, there are two factors that need your utmost consideration.

No. 1 is SAFETY. As urgent as this job is, we want to insure it with a perfect safety record. The energizing of lines after such storm damage requires the utmost attention to every safety factor. The practices involved are covered by the safety manual and by the procedures outlined by foremen and other supervisors. I do not need to restate them here but wish to urge every man engaged in this work to keep his mind clear and on the job so that no accidents to himself or the public will ensue. In this connection, the public is being asked by newspaper and radio to leave all clearing of company lines to our crews and to consider all conductors which may be on their property as energized even though every precaution will be taken to avoid energizing any conductors which may be down or within reach.

No. 2 is PUBLIC RELATIONS. We have already had many cases and will have thousands of cases, where customers will have to go several hours or perhaps days without service when other nearby customers have such service. Under these conditions, customers will very naturally tend to be greatly concerned as to when their personal service will be restored. It is of course desirable that all the time possible be put on actual work and as little time as possible be spent in conversation with consumers, since by this practice the greatest gains in restored service will be made. Every possible courtesy should be shown in necessary customer contacts, however, and it is desirable that no

commitments be made as to the probable time that service can be established to any customer. We are simply proceeding as fast as possible to restore service to all customers.

It goes without saying that the prompt restoration of service to all customers is one of the most pressing basic needs in the restoration of community life to normal and I know that we can count on every employee and emergency force to work with safety, determination, and a spirit of public courtesy toward that end.

The achievements which you have thus far made are outstanding in meeting community needs and I express my personal, as well as the communities', thanks to every employee of the company and to those from other companies who are contributing their effort to relieve this major disaster.

Very truly yours,
L. P. SWEATT
President.

Mr. Homer Gregory of the local Mississippi Power Company office has requested that their subscribers be asked to have the local electricians check all of their wiring so that there will be no delay in the energizing of the lines in their particular localities.

Clermont Harbor Citizens Offer Thanks

The citizens of Clermont Harbor wish to extend their sincere thanks to all sources of relief rendered them during the recent hurricane disaster.

The community received splendid cooperation from the Armed Forces and the American Red Cross. Various merchants of New Orleans donated large quantities of food-stuffs. Personal friends, too numerous to mention, sent food and clothing to meet the emergency.

We extend our appreciation also to the Crosby Dairy of Picayune, the Ice Company of Bay St. Louis, the Leader Furniture Company of Bay St. Louis, and all other business houses and individuals that came to our aid.

Mr. and Mrs. John Salesby availed their home to the local Red Cross for distribution of food and clothing.

—A three-line message in the Echo's Classified Column will rent that spare room for you. Only 30c.—Adv.

CRITICAL ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES BEING HELD FOR GULF COAST

Mr. George Stevenson of the Radio and Electric Service is in receipt of the following communications from the General Electric Supply Corporation and the Electrical Supply Co., of New Orleans.

G. F. Stevenson
200 North Beach Blvd.
Bay St. Louis, Miss.

In order to cooperate in your disaster we are holding all critical electrical supplies for Gulf Coast area. Have large stocks of material enroute from factory to handle your requirements. Above all other customers until you have been relieved. Phone or wire us your requirements. Our representatives will call as quickly as possible.

GENERAL ELECTRIC SUPPLY
CORP.
J. H. Braselton, Mgr.

Sept. 23, 1947.
Mr. George F. Stevenson
Radio & Electric Service
Bay St. Louis, Miss.

We are thinking of you during these trying times, and are wondering if there is anything we can do for you.

With reports from the Gulf Coast still coming through in fragmentary form, I have no way of knowing what damage you may have suffered. If there is anything we can do for you, however, please do not hesitate to let us know.

If for instance circumstances indicate the need of materials we are able to supply and you have hesitated in ordering because of the uncertainties of the immediate future, we shall be glad to extend whatever unusual credit arrangements may be necessary to help meet those immediate and pressing needs. And if we can help in any other way please tell us.

With very best wishes and with the hope you and yours were among the fortunate who did not suffer too heavily I am

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LOST PET
Small white female dog, with black spots. Lost in front of Hill's, Waveland. Phone 263-M, 202 Carroll Avenue. Reward.

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One second hand sewing machine—113 Carroll Avenue. 9/26/chg.

MALE HELP WANTED
Reliable man with car wanted to call on farmers in Hancock County. Wonderful opportunity. \$15 to \$20 a day. No experience or capital required. Permanent. Write today. McNESS Company, Dept. A, Freeport, Ill. 9/19/27p.

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One double metal bed, complete. \$28.00; 1 Mirror Wash Stand, \$17; 2 Rockers \$6; 2 chairs, \$4.00; Apply Hemmersback's Farm. 9/26/47p.

FOR SALE
One good small mare mule. Work anywhere. Call Echo Office.

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FOR SALE
Several Gas Heaters, open and circulating. A-1 condition. 202 Union Street or phone 474-J.

Set Up Short Wave Radio Station at Hotel Reed

M. W. Kirkpatrick amateur radio operator and Jim Watson radio expert, set up radio service at Hotel Reed on Saturday evening following the storm on Friday. Mr. Kirkpatrick said that he and Mr. Watson came from Hattiesburg to Gulfport to set up service there and found that radio service could be had there. Through the courtesy of the U. S. Naval Reserve they came to Bay St. Louis by boat furnished by the Naval Reserve and when seen on Wednesday Mr. Kirkpatrick had had only four hours of sleep.

Messages have been sent free of charge to all parts of the world. Type of messages sent for relief were for medicines, serums, vaccine, all communications for Army and Navy, Red Cross until National headquarters were established at the Episcopal Rectory here. They have expedited all requests for medical supplies asked for by Commander H. M. Keefe, U. S. Navy, stationed at Kings Daughters Hospital here and Dr. C. M. Shipp County Public Health officer for Hancock County. These supplies were ordered by radio and delivery traced here Mr. Kirkpatrick said.

Federal Communication Commission declared this area 1000 miles from New Orleans, La., a disaster area and cleared amateur frequencies for this use. This special grant was good for duration of disaster. Types of messages handled over these frequencies were A-1 priorities. Mr. Kirkpatrick said. Coming in on the setup on Monday was Paul V. King operator under W5KYC.

All relief operators were flown in by Coast Guard L-5 airplane which landed at considerable risk on the outskirts of Bay St. Louis. Valuable service was rendered by Mr. Watson in repairing and installing parts when radio went out of commission. H. F. Rawls, Federal Communications Commission was continuously on the job rendering untold service assistance beyond his line of duty to keep this station in the air.

Mr. Kirkpatrick related having a call from a lady whose husband was aboard a boat bound for Trinidad and through this service she was able to locate him in port at Trinidad. Also located a man at the port of Embarkation in the State of Washington waiting to leave for Alaska.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere and heartfelt thanks to relatives, friends and neighbors for kindness and sympathy shown us during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father John H. Favre. Special thanks to Rev. I. H. Sells, Rev. Father Francis Toner, Rev. Father Hubert Wolf and McDonald Funeral Home. Many thanks for the beautiful floral offerings, cards and letters of condolence. All have our everlasting gratitude.

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Men and materials were on their way, by truck, planes and trains to the threatened areas before the hurricane struck. As a result as soon as the storm abated men and material were quickly on the job of restoring long distance and local service.

The crews of men, many of whom were brought in from as far away as Kentucky and adjoining states, are working long hours under the most trying and difficult conditions and they will continue until the job is done.

Complete restoration of local and long distance service in the shortest time possible is the job taking precedence over all else. The cost we know is tremendous but it will be weeks before the full extent of the damage is known.

The hurricane was a setback to Southern Bell on two counts. It not only destroyed a large quantity of existing facilities, but it interrupted the company's extensive expansion and improvement program for Mississippi which in the last 12 months has added 663,000 feet of cable, and 8,000 miles of wire to Southern Bell's Mississippi facilities at a gross cost of \$6,246,000.

The forethought and preparations made even before the hurricane hit the east coast of Florida, and the quick shifting of men and materials as the storm advanced, resulted in our being able to make greater progress in restoring service than could have otherwise been expected.

We fully realize the great importance of the service particularly at such a time as this and assure you that all the resources, manpower and know-how of our entire organization are behind this big job.

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